Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 68

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 110

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 68—Relative to the Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr. Memorial Highway.

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ACR 68, Oller. Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr. Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a portion of State Highway Route 174, as prescribed, as the Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr. Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers showing this designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources, to erect plaques and markers.

WHEREAS, Sacramento Police Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr., a dedicated officer, died on February 9, 1999, in the line of duty at the age of 28 years during a traffic stop in the Del Paso Heights area of North Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean was fatally shot during the incident, and a suspect was apprehended and is being criminally prosecuted; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean graduated from Colfax High School in 1989, where he lettered in three varsity sports, and later coached football; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean received an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point and admittance to the University of California at Davis; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean joined the Placer County Sheriff's Department in 1991, and served the citizens of Placer County for four years before transferring to the Sacramento Police Department in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean volunteered to be a neighborhood police officer and a problem-oriented police officer in Del Paso Heights, one of the toughest beats in Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean worked hard to keep drugs out of Del Paso Heights and acted as a positive role model for youth in the area; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean made four consecutive appearances, including the 1999 starting free safety, in the Annual "Pig Bowl," a football game between the Sacramento Police Department and the Sacramento Sheriff's Department that benefits area charities; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean, in addition to working full time as a police officer, was enrolled as a full-time student at Sierra College

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where he won Bay-Valley Conference honors playing football for the Wolverines; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean is survived by his fiancée, Carrie Heimann; his parents, Bill Bean, Sr., and Kim Toms; his brothers, Chris and Brandon Bean; his stepmother, Pam Bean; his stepfather, Nick Toms; and other loving family members; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean was well known for his dedication to duty, friendly disposition, and positive attitude; and

WHEREAS, Officer Bean will be sorely missed by family, friends, colleagues, and the citizens he proudly served in Placer and Sacramento Counties; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that State Highway Route 174, between State Highway Route 20 in Grass Valley and Interstate Highway Route 80 in Colfax, be dedicated to the memory of this officer who made the ultimate sacrifice in his service to the people of Placer and Sacramento Counties, and the State of California; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby dedicates State Highway Route 174, between State Highway Route 20 in Grass Valley and Interstate Highway Route 80 in Colfax, to the memory of Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr., who served the people of Placer and Sacramento Counties, and be it further

Resolved, That State Highway Route 174 be officially designated the "Officer Bill C. Bean, Jr. Memorial Highway"; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing this special designation, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.